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## **2012 Maritime Security Conference to be held in Halifax**

NORFOLK, VA. -- The Combined Joint Operation from the Sea Centre of Excellence (CJOS COE) and the Confined and Shallow Waters Centre of Excellence (CSW COE) will sponsor the 2012 Maritime Security Conference (MSC) in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, June 5-7.

The MSC provides a forum enabling maritime professionals from around the world to engage in collaborative talks on key issues, such as combating piracy and security cooperation.

This year's conference will focus on enhancing national and interregional security governance, improving capabilities and data sharing systems, and indentifying and confronting future challenges in the maritime environment.

Representatives of international governments, militaries, industry and academia from across the international maritime community of interest will address the conference, including:

German Navy Vice Adm. Andreas Krause, deputy commander, Allied Maritime Command Naples;

Dr. Danford Middlemis, Dalhousie University Center of Foreign Policy, Canada;

Mr. Yoshihisa Endo, executive director, Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP);

Gordan E. Van Hook, senior director for Innovation and Concept Development, Maersk Line;

Phillip Cornell, special advisor to the executive director, International Energy Agency

The Maritime Security Conference will take place at the Westin Nova Scotian Hotel in Halifax. For more information on the Maritime Security Conference visit the Web site [www.maritimesecurityconference.org](http://www.maritimesecurityconference.org).

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*MEDIA NOTE: Media are invited to cover the opening remarks of the conference at the Westin Nova Scotian Hotel at 8:30 a.m. local, Tuesday, June 5. There will be a media availability at 10:30 a.m. local at the hotel. Media interested in attending should contact one of the points of contact below. Media registration for the conference will take place at the hotel and is required. Additionally, every attempt will be made to accommodate all requests for interviews with other conference speakers.*

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